

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 5, as follows:

When the fitting portion 14a (and 14b to 14f, similarly) ~~to 14f (and 14b to 14f, similarly)~~ are is mounted on the can C, as shown in Fig. 4, the lock pieces 13a to 13d are pressed by an upper end of the can C to elastically deform upwardly. After the upper end of the can C has passed through, an end portion of an edge of the upper end of the can C is fixed in contact with tips of the lock pieces 13a to 13d.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 16, as follows:

In the container suspending device of the present embodiment, as in the suspending device described in published Japanese Patent No. 2859165 mentioned above, the can C, such as a canned beer, that is contained in a corrugated carton is easily set in the suspending device. Moreover, since six of the cans C ~~such as beer~~ set in the suspending device can be stacked in a vertical direction, it is also superior in terms of efficient use of store space. In addition, the suspending device made of paper causes any problems in processing waste after use.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 10, line 8, as follows:

A second embodiment of the present invention is explained using Fig. 5. Fig. 5A is a plan view of ~~a container suspending base plate 10~~ a container suspending base plate 40, and Figs. 5B and 5C are sectional views taken along ~~the lines A-A and B-B in Fig. 1A~~ the lines C-C and D-D in Fig. 5A, respectively.